

## THE DECATUR HERALD.

TWENTY-THIRD YEAR.

DECATUR, ILL., FRIDAY, MAY, 17, 1891.

200 fine  
Short Waists,  
made to sell for  
less than \$1. Too  
many of this  
style Waists.  
You take your  
pick for

35c.

DNEY.

Millinery  
Department  
Booms.

Why? Because we don't  
charge 200 to 300 per  
cent profit as exclusive  
milliners do. Our styles  
are the latest, prices the  
lowest and we treat you  
better. Specials this  
week:

75c Sailors  
for..... 49c  
\$1 Sailors  
for..... 69c  
\$1.25 Sailors  
for..... 89c

Call and see our stock.  
Satisfaction guaranteed  
or money refunded.

RCADE.

market price paid for fat veal calves.  
Co. or The Arcade and we will have  
Also if you have any good butcher

DEPARTMENT.

for Men's wear.

Men's Overalls at \$1.  
The famous "Wabash" make, a new  
pair if they r.p. bib or  
plain..... 50c

Men's Fancy Shirts.

Great line of men's fancy shirts in  
both attatched and detached collar  
goods, in stiff bosom and soft bosom  
30c, 75c, \$1.00

Men's Cruiser Hats go

Better hats at \$1, \$2, \$2.50.

"Kingsbury" Hats at \$3.

This is our leader in men's hats; all  
the new spring styles and colors;  
soft or stiff styles, \$1.00.

partment.

We have a big line of men's dress  
shirts at the regular prices, satin coll.,  
velv. coll., velour coll and other styles, \$1.50  
and \$2.00.

"Kingsbury" Shoes at \$3.50.

This is our leader in men's line shoes;  
sport kid, velour coll., velv. kid, built in  
every way to match the \$5 shoes, per pair,

\$4.50.

Ladies' "American Girl" shoes at \$2.50.

This is our leader in ladies' line shoes;  
comes in patient kid, velv. kid, kid top and  
velour kid, in all widths and sizes, \$2.50.

Black Pepper, ground, per pound, 80c.

N DRUG DEPARTMENT.

Slaughtered.

time you buy.

Mohr Balls, regular price 10c  
3 lbs for..... 25cKinloch's Danderine, 10c  
size, only..... 98c

Syrup of Pepsin, price only.. 67c

Warner's Sarsaparilla, slaughtered  
price only..... 1.17

NING ARTICLES.

Paint and Varnish Brushes..... 5c

Step Ladders, five foot..... 48c

Ironing Boards, folding, only..... 75c

Wash Boxes, all the. Monday..... 35c

Water Proof Clothes Lines..... 20c

## IN SHADOW OF DEATH

Mrs. McKinley's Life Hangs By a Slender  
Thread and End May Come at  
Any Moment.

## LITTLE RAY OF HOPE

cabinet and how they were enjoying themselves.  
At 2:30 the president decided to go out  
for a walk, and, unaccompanied by the post  
master general and secretary of the interior, he strolled through the neighboring streets, returning the respectful  
salutations met with from all who recognized him once or twice he stopped to shake hands with those who stopped and requested the privilege.

Upon his return to the house he cheerfully told the group of newspaper men assembled there that Mrs. McKinley was holding her own. During the afternoon the president expressed the opinion that the public was entitled to specific information regarding the nature of Mrs. McKinley's illness and upon his request a signed statement issued by physicians was prepared and given to the press.

The ladies of the cabinet also took advantage of the slight improvement in Mrs. McKinley's condition to go for a short drive during the afternoon. All day long LaFayette Park, opposite the State real estate, was filled with crowds of people drawn thither by the eager desire for direct news from the sick room. Their profound sorrow was apparent from the silent and respectful way in which they obeyed the injunctions of the police to keep back beyond the coping of the road that runs through the center of the park.

Secretary Hay was utterly worn out by the strain of the last few days and rested in his room in the hotel all day.

## EARLY EVENING BULLETIN.

San Francisco, May 10.—At 8:45 Secretary Cortelyou gave out the following statement:

"The physician in attendance on Mrs. McKinley report her condition decidedly improved since morning, and her pulse and temperature satisfactory. The patient is resting well."

## TRAINMEN ELECT OFFICERS

W. T. Newman of Denver Made Fourth Grand Master.

Milwaukee, May 10.—W. T. Newman of Denver, was tonight elected vice grand master of the Brotherhood of Trainmen. This new office was created by the amendment to the constitution. The next biennial convention will be held to Denver and the city will be the scene of the annual meeting.

The additional officers elected were as follows:

Board Grand Trustees—J. Hurlbut, Hornellsville, N. Y.; H. A. Balman, of Mattoon, Ill.; J. H. Murdoch of London, Ont.

Grand Executive Board—D. McNamee of Windsor, R. J. Powers of San Leandro, California; J. H. Powers of Toledo.

Grand Master Mortuary announced the appointment of First Vice Grand Master W. G. Lee of Lawrence, Kansas, as his assistant.

## READY TO START BACK.

The grand should come to the president's office to be ready to start with the train within 24 hours. The train which will be used on the return to all arrangements have been made by taking the shortest route, the Cincinnati Pacific to Chicago, thence to Pennsylvania to Washington. If Mr. McKinley improves it is not believed he will be able to travel before a week from the coming Monday. All members of the delegation with the possible exception of Secretary Hayes will remain here to the

end of the day.

The inner's daughter is very ill at present and he is very apprehensive. He may be called there at any time. At 1 o'clock this morning the police received a call and notice of suspension will be posted on its doors tomorrow. The open account will be \$100,000. Neither member of the firm would make any statement to-night. The failure is the result of the recent Wall street panic.

Washington, D. C., May 16.—The stock brokerage firm of Garley & Johnson has failed and notice of suspension will be posted on its doors tomorrow. The open account will be \$100,000. Neither member of the firm would make any statement to-night. The failure is the result of the recent Wall street panic.

New York, May 10.—Gustav Edward Graff and Thomas F. Novis, composing the firm of Edward Graff & Co., stock and bond brokers, made an assignment today for the benefit of their creditors. The firm was a member of the Consolidated exchange, and was caught in the recent squeeze. The liability is said to be \$400,000 and assets \$100,000.

In the city bulletin at the news, their offices announcing the failure abandoned fell like a log upon the multitude. Not until it was fully realized that Mrs. McKinley was near death's door, joy turned to tears. People no longer waited the inevitable coming. Their voices were hoarse and they stood in groups on the stairs discussing the brief but pregnant telegram from the sick room.

THE AIR OF DEATH.

Meeting the air of death itself inside the Scott residence, Herrmann had a faint like shadow. Messenger boys telegrams and cables from all parts of the world inquiring for the news of Mr. McKinley's condition, passed in an instant from the door which was at first closed at their approach. The door could not be persuaded to have been closed. He remained there completely a doctor and nurse seemingly dead of fatigue. Gathered in the adjacent room were the ladies of the Scott residence the members of the

A special committee of ten was appointed to consider a report of some plan for perfecting the relations between auxiliaries and the national society.

Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis of New

York, was chosen president and Rev. William H. Hobson of Connecticut record

as Vice President.

Boston, May 16.—The diamond jubilee of the Congregational home missionary society closed this evening with audience by Rev. Jas. Twichell of Hartford; and Rev. G. H. Jafferson of New York.

Another Expedition.

London, May 16.—Dr. Morrison, writing

the Times from Pekin, the 10th anniversary

The German staff have notified the allies of

their intention to send another expedition

to suppress the Boxers in the southern part of the province of Chihli, beyond

Ching Ching, and have invited the co-operation of allies. The departure of the French troops has been countermanded.

SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT.

As the day progressed there was a noticeable improvement in Mrs. McKinley's condition. Her mind cleared and she asked

her husband about the ladies of the leg society.

## CAMBON IN CHICAGO

French Ambassador Receives a Cordial Welcome.

Chicago, Ill., May 16.—M. Jules Cambon, French ambassador to the United States, was the guest of Chicago today, and from the time of his arrival at 9 a.m. until late in the evening when a banquet was given in his honor at the Union League club was concluded, he was the central figure in a series of receptions and feasts. M. Cambon came to this city to officially recognize in behalf of the republic of France, the union of Alliance Francaise, with the University of Chicago, the purpose of which is to increase the use of the French language in all countries. After luncheon at the Chicago club, the ambassador was given a reception at the Chicago University by President Harper and members of the faculty, and several hundred students. Prof. Edmund J. James, who delivered the formal address of welcome, said in

"Such an occasion brings with peculiar vividness to the mind of every student of human history the prominent services of the French nation to that common civilization which is the most precious heritage of us all. For a thousand years, the French have been the center of Europe in the sense which can be asserted of no other country. It has been the school master of the world in all that makes for culture and refinement. Our debt to France is reflected in every aspect of modern life, thought, and action."

"It was our high privilege to announce

the formal declaration of independence,

the principle that all men are born equal. It

was given to us by Lafayette,"

He was received by the

French Ambassador to the

United States, Dr. J. E. F. G. de

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## SWEET RESTORERS.

**S**LEEP cannot be imitated except in appearance, neither can Ivory Soap. There are other white soaps that look like Ivory Soap, this is a penalty which it pays for its great success. But you are not deceived, there is only one Ivory, the others are imitations of its perfections.

99% PER CENT. PURE.

## HE WILL HAVE TO PROVE IT.

Barrett's Statement of Suit Against Trustees of St. Patrick's Church.

The Hospital of Sunday last mentioned) the suit instituted against the trustees of St. Patrick's church in connection with the will of the late C. Barrett of Mattoon. The Mattoon Star says the following statement is made by H. H. Trenor, attorney for the plaintiff in the instant suit.

"William Barrett was a brother of Edward Barrett, deceased, whose estate is in litigation. Through William Barrett's efforts a signed compromise agreement with the Bishop and Doctor trustees was reached by which Barrett was to receive a share equivalent to what he could have been if the will was set aside by court. Furthermore, \$1250 of the bequest to the Doctor's heirs was to be handed over to the Mattoon Catholic church. On these representations Barrett used his influence and a compromise was effected, but when the other heirs were settled with, the agreement with Barrett was repudiated by the Doctor trustees. Thus Barrett received nothing from the estate and the Mattoon Catholic church failed to receive its share. The suit just brought by Barrett is to compel the fulfillment of the original agreement.

## A RESEARCH IN ALFALFA

Is Soon to Be Made at the Illinois Station.

The experimental station at the university is immediately to take up a line of special experimental research in alfalfa. The movement started this spring when Prof. H. M. Cottrell, professor of agriculture at the Kansas state college of agriculture, and Secretary F. D. Culver of the Kansas state board of agriculture, lectured before the agricultural students on this subject. The latter was especially anxious to see the crop experimented with and grown on the local farm, and said he believed it would in time become as great a farm crop in Illinois as in Kansas; that the soil and climate here are suited to it, and that, if experiments could be carried on here, the future would be bright indeed. He ended, in this case, that he considered the present law ample protection for purchasers of tax titles. He signed the bill providing that where a police magistrate is elected in a city or village living in more than one county, he shall maintain office in the county in which the municipal offices are located.

## GAMBLERS FORM A TRUST.

Old Lamees at Springfield Get Together In the Game and Expect Monopoly.

The entity that has existed between the gamblers of Springfield has been brushed aside in the formation of a trust. The "Community of Interest" men have joined the boxes and they have reached the conclusion that fighting among themselves is merely cutting each other's throat. Tom Bauer and J. L. Lane, the two leaders of the game who have been at odds and making each other trouble have combined and taken to McDonald, another sport, as their manager. They have concentrated their forces at one place and have opened a big room and look for clear and profitable sailing from talk out. The house is to be known as Lane's place. However appearing as a silent partner in the enterprise of robbing the pockets of their money. The Springfield papers say that everything will go and that the men hunting a game can get nothing they want for their money.

## Fought for His Life.

"My father and sister both died of Consumption," writes J. T. Westerwax, of Wyandot, Mich., "and I was saved from the same frightful fate only by Dr. King. Now Recovery, An attack of pneumonia left an obstinate cough and very severe lung trouble, which an excellent doctor could not help, but a few months' use of this wonderful medicine made me as well as ever and I gained back in weight."

Infallible for Coughs, Colds and all Throats and Lung Troubles. Guaranteed bottle two and \$1.00 at N. L. Krohn's, C. P. Whiting's and John E. King's drug stores.

The people who have plenty to eat, drink and wear, and who are comfortably housed, do a terrible lot of grubbing when a pin scratches them.

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## WILL DISCOURAGE DIVORCE.

An Uppermost Question in Episcopal Code to Be Settled.

The greatest question to come before a convention of the Episcopal church, which convenes at New York next October, says Bishop Morrison, will be the revision of "the canon" which "are the administrative code of the church." It has nothing to do with the creed or theological doctrine, but concerns the rules governing the church. One of the important questions before this meeting will be that of divorce. The bishop says:

"The new canon relative to the marriage of divorced persons will probably cause the greatest contention at the convention. As for my own opinion, I am heartily in favor of it. Of recent years, there has grown up too great laxity of opinion relative to divorce. It was not so very long ago that public sentiment was much opposed to the practice, but nowadays it is regarded very lightly, and it is the purpose of the proposal of this new canon to place the church on record in opposition to this tendency. The canon, it should be understood, does not prevent the marriage of the innocent party to the divorce when the separation has been granted on the ground of adultery. It does forbid the marriage of such a person by the church, but if he or she should be married outside the church, the latter would not excommunicate him or her."

## GOVERNOR YATES FINISHES.

Signs the Last Bill in His Possession—Insurance Bill Vetoed.

Governor Yates has disposed of all bills passed by the forty-second general assembly. He has vetoed two and signed one, three being left in his possession. He voted the bill limiting expenses for fraternal lodges to 20 per cent of assessments, claiming that its provisions were too far-reaching and would cause some now societies to go into dissolution. The other veto was on the bill giving right to recover money paid for taxes where payment proceedings in tax cases fail to stand. He said, in this case, that he considered the present law ample protection for purchasers of tax titles. He signed the bill providing that where a police magistrate is elected in a city or village living in more than one county, he shall maintain office in the county in which the municipal offices are located.

## Deeds Recorded.

Thomas Brooks to Henry Cassell the west half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of 12, 16, 2 east; also the south half of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of 12, 16, 2 east and two acres off of the north end of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of 12, 16, 2 east; \$5000.

Horace Morris to Janilla S. Kennedy his interest in 1, 7, 12 and 18 in 16, 1 east by will.

J. F. Finn, master, to Richard Holmes, lot 11 in block 8 in Walnut Grove addition to Decatur; \$147.

J. F. Mante, administrator, to Mayor Hellburn 40 feet of the west side of lot 10 in block 1 in M. Postmaster's addition to Decatur; \$200.

Clyde W. Wagoner to Jacob Daensturk lot 10 in block 3 in Curver's addition to Decatur; \$100.

John Daensturk to Nancy Ann Kerber lot 1 in block 3 in Curver's addition to Decatur; \$5.

W. Frank Godwin to James C. McGregor lot 25 in block 6 in Higgins' addition to Decatur; \$1200.

Mary Heazman to John W. Jones lot 14 in successor's sub-division of the southwest quarter of 32, 19, 2 east, lying east of the Illinois Central railway; \$75.

## Old Soldier's Experience.

M. M. Austin, a civil war veteran, of Winchester, Ind., writes: "My wife was taken a long time in spite of good doctor's treatment, but was wholly cured by Dr. King's New Life Pill which worked wonders for her health." They always do try them. Only 25 at N. L. Krohn's, C. P. Whiting's and John E. King's drug stores.

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## WHERE THE STATE FUNDS GO

Items of Expense Provided for By the Last Legislature.

The appropriations made by the Forty-second general assembly aggregate \$13,230,900, divided as follows:
To pay the expense of the Forty-second general assembly.....\$ 100,000
Committee expenses of the Forty-second general assembly..... 6,000
Incidental expenses of the Forty-second general assembly..... 22,000
Illinois expedition..... 75,000
Northwest territory records..... 2,500
Douglas monument..... 3,500
Homes for Delinquent Boys..... 35,000
Refusing Homas loan..... 3,075
Other appropriation..... 3,514,350
Charitable institutions, repairs, improvements..... 1,025,024
Charitable Institutions, maintenance..... 3,173,500
Penitentiary..... 565,000
Reformatory, reconditioning, reparation and improvements..... 495,200
Educational institutions, institutions..... 272,417
Educational institutions, institutions..... 263,152
Farm employment agency..... 16,500
Horticultural society..... 10,000
State university, fire loss, etc..... 604,330
To mark position of troops at Vicksburg..... 2,000
Monument, Capt. Adams..... 6,000
Portrait former Gov. Tanner..... 1,000
Delinquent Illinois penitentiary State Board of Agriculture, permanent buildings..... 12,048
State Board of Agriculture, maintenance..... 94,000
Industrial Home for Blind..... 60,198
Illinois National Guard dependency..... 95,060
Illinois National Guard, maintenance..... 410,000
St. Louis exposition..... 230,050
Illinois Firemen's association..... 1,000
Illinois and Michigan canal..... 150,000
Illinois National Guard dependency..... 166,000
Agricultural college..... 1,000
Lake Stock Breeders Association..... 1,000
State Agricultural and members of State Agricultural assembly..... 3,000
State Bar Association..... 40,000
Patrol claim..... 1,500
Patrol members deficiency..... 200
Memorial of John Reeder..... 1,160
Delinquent supreme court..... 200
Edward M. Gandy and wife..... 10,080
Salary of Justice Phillips..... 1,417
State Poultry Association..... 2,000
United States ship Dorothea..... 6,000
Ridge ranger..... 16,000
Repairs appellate court building..... 2,500
Ind. Mt. Vernon..... 25,000
South Carolina exposition..... 1,200
Illinois Hill cemetery..... 200
Carl Busch, et al..... 100
State dredge..... 150,000
Grand total..... \$13,230,900

## FARMER COLTRIN DELEGATE.

Printers Name Him to Represent Decatur in the International Union Meeting.

The printers of Decatur held an election yesterday to select a delegate to the annual meeting of the International Typographical Union. Several candidates were talked of but when the friends of "Farm" Ulrich brought him out as a dark horse the other aspirants ducked for tail.

Ulrich applied to court build-

ing, Mt. Vernon..... 2,500

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## QUIET WEDDING

Milton Bergen and Jennie Walmsley Married by Rev. Craft.

## SURPRISE TO THEIR FRIENDS

Couple Will Make Their Home On a Farm Near the City.

Milton Bergen and Miss Jennie Walmsley were married Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the first M. E. parsonage. The wedding came as a surprise to the many friends of the young couple. The couple were accompanied to the residence of Rev. Frost Craft by a few of the relatives who were present.

The bride was dressed in a pretty gown of white organdy and looked charming. At the conclusion of the ceremony the couple were driven to the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Barrett two miles northwest of the city, where they will make their home. The immediate relatives were in attendance.

Both of the young people are quite well known in the city. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Walmsley of North Main street and the groom is the son of Mrs. D. M. Barnett. The young couple will make their home on the Barrett place northwest of the city which has been converted into a nice fruit farm which will be managed by Mr. Bergen.

GEORGE GOULD WEBBER.

George E. Gould and Miss Mamie George, both of this city, were married by Justice of the Peace Haico in his office Wednesday afternoon. The couple will make their home in this city.

BECKWITH-WALTZ.

John Beckwith and Miss Laura Waltz were married Wednesday afternoon at the rooms of Attorney Elmer Mock on Water street. Justice of the Peace P. B. Proctor performed the ceremony and at the conclusion of the ceremony a short reception was held. Both of the young people reside in this city.

OTTO-LICHINGER.

F. W. Otto and Miss Penny Elchingen accepted their friends in this city by their marriage, which occurred last Saturday shortly before midday. The groom was formerly a clerk in the employ of Bell, the druggist, but of late has been traveling for a Chicago drug firm. He comes to this city Saturday and about 10 o'clock that night the couple went to the home of Uncle Clark J. M. Dodd and asked for a marriage license, first calling him by telephone to inquire whether or not a license could be procured at that hour of the night.

After the license was secured the couple desired to know where they could be married. County Clerk Dodd was obliging as usual and tendered the use of his parlor for the ceremony. The groom could furnish the priest with the name of Elmer Goggins of the Christian Tabernacle to the home of Mr. Dodd and there the ceremony was performed. The groom asked Mr. Dodd and Rev. Goggins to keep the matter quiet for several days and they promised. However, the groom could not keep the secret himself and told several of his friends of the wedding and it leaked out before they left for Iowa, the next day, where they will visit for a week. The bride is the daughter of M. L. Lichinger and about 10 o'clock that night the couple went to the home of Uncle Clark J. M. Dodd and asked for a marriage license, first calling him by telephone to inquire whether or not a license could be procured at that hour of the night.

NIANTIC.

Davis and Ruby Brose will be here the 20th of May with their "Uncle Tom's Cabin" show. A large crowd is expected as this is a good company.

A merrymaking round was the attraction last week.

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Mrs. Cora Wren has returned from Ojibway.

Mrs. Effie Pritchett is at home from the Decatur hospital.

Mrs. Julie Beedie of Gurnett spent a few days with friends here last week.

Mrs. Mildred Fisher is very ill with lung fever.

Alfredine Parry Matthews, Frank and Corp. Busch and John Sauvage were Decatur visitors last week.

Walker Murphy of Champaign is the greatest of relatives here.

Mrs. Dahlia Chamberlain and Ed Remington both of this place went to Decatur last week and were entertained in the parlors of the New Decatur. The ceremony was performed by Rev. K. Miller of this place. They left immediately for Nebraska, where they will visit relatives.

Mrs. Sarah Chambers is home from Ewing.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown, of Normal, are here.

Niantic now has four saloons.

Mrs. Pritchett has painted her house and greatly improved its appearance.

Mr. Stoltz suffered a stroke of paralysis is recovering.

Mrs. Elihu Dodson is worse.

Grandpa Milligan has been quite ill but is better.

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The United States has finally reached a  
point where it will not have to go to  
Europe for coal to its largest  
shores. It will do that business for itself in  
the future.

The Cubans have been our neighbors for  
a long time and yet there is evidence that  
they have not learned that the greatest  
freedom enjoyed in the world is that en-  
joyed by a state in the American union.

The Wall street stock gamblers are  
greatly surprised that the combination  
recently made in the stock ex-  
change did not disturb Uncle Sam for a  
moment. His business moved on as if  
nothing had happened. This means that  
the day for organizing black Fridays in  
Wall street have passed. Uncle Sam has  
grown too great to be affected by such  
things.

Roger Q. Mills of Texas is a free trade  
speech in congress during Cleveland's first  
term when the Mills revenue bill was intro-  
duced into the house and that in the wisdom of  
the Creator Europe has selected to do the  
manufacturing for the world and the  
United States to produce the handicrafts  
for the world. Wonder what Roger Q.  
Mills' ideals are in Texas. Texas now is also a  
manufacturing state and an oil producing state. Certainly the Texas  
farmer is better off with the consumer of  
farm products at his door than he would  
be skirmishing in the world's market for  
buyers for his farm products.

**THINKS HE HAD A REASON.**

The democratic alderman who explained  
that he voted against the confirmations of  
certain men named by the mayor because  
they were unlike the men who they were  
named to succeed only looks and nothing,  
namely, a knowledge of what an alder-  
man is, and what his duties are. He doesn't  
know that he has nothing to do with making  
appointments and that his only duty  
is to confirm appointments if those ap-  
pointed are qualified and otherwise comp-  
laint. He has no responsibility in the mat-  
ter whatever. The mayor is alone re-  
sponsible. The appointments will always  
be credited to the mayor whether good or  
bad while not a dozen men in the city is  
30 days will know what aldermen voted for  
or against confirmation. It is the city of  
Decatur gets above the village idea  
where every alderman wants to have the  
job.

**NORMAL WELCOMES ROAD.**

Almost Enough Signatures Already Se-  
cured for the Inter-Urban Trolley.

H. W. Knight, the representative of the  
eastern capitalists, who propose to build  
the electric railroad from Lexington through  
Normal and Bloomington to Decatur, was  
in Normal yesterday in company with S. H. White, securing the signa-  
ture of property owners along the pro-  
posed right of way, says the Blooming-  
ton Post-Graphic. They met with very good  
success. Meers, George Chapman and  
John H. Dodge still insist in calculating  
the petition of Normal and vicinity. Mr.  
Knight goes to Clinton today to get the  
work started there and will then go to De-  
catur, where he has a couple of men get-  
ting signatures to petitions for right of way  
at present, and he will assist them in pushing  
the work. He says that when the right  
of way is all secured and the franchise  
granted work will commence at each end  
of the line at once, building from  
Lexington to Bloomington and from  
Decatur to Clinton. It will put the two  
best paying sections of the line into  
operation and start a return on the mon-  
ey the shortest possible time. As soon as  
the ends of the road are in operation the  
connecting link will be built in as fast as  
possible. The contestants have come to have  
some respect for each other. There is no one in  
the east who is equal to conjuring up  
the notion that his first duty is to usurp  
the functions of a mayor. There is not a  
city in Illinois the size of Decatur where  
the "rights" of the aldermen to be com-  
muted about the appointments is raised  
every recurring mayoralty year.

**TEXAS OIL QUESTION.**

Since the extensive oil developments in  
Texas the question of utilizing the product  
as a profit has been given considerable at-  
tention. In the study of this question there  
is such an element of uncertainty that  
business like conclusions are almost im-  
possible. For example there is no means  
of knowing what the wells will do when  
they are opened and the wells opened for  
the purpose of finding out what the wells  
will do. No one can yet say whether  
the Beaumont wells will, when properly  
equipped for production, yield 50, 100 or  
300,000 barrels a day or whether they will  
spout until a peat up head is exhausted  
and then narrow down to ordinary pro-  
ducts. There is also some difference of  
opinion as to the value of the oil as an  
illuminate and the bi-products. And  
then there is the question of a market for  
the oil and the cost of reaching the mar-  
ket.

The anti-trust laws of Texas also loom  
up as a menace to the antifactory solution  
of some of the questions involving  
more capital than a few persons can com-  
mand. That it will require a great organi-  
zation with tremendous capital to market  
the Beaumont products is apparent to not  
only the experienced oil men, but also to  
any clear-headed man of business. If one  
will stop to consider the Beaumont  
oil is principally a fuel product, and as  
such a new factor in the fuel business, one  
will be given to appreciate the obstacles  
to overcome. Large consumers of coal  
must be assured that the field will pro-  
duce enough oil for their needs before  
they will even consider making the neces-  
sary changes to utilize it. Then comes the  
question of transportation; with sufficient  
production at Beaumont, will the con-  
sumer at all times have oil on hand at his  
factory? This means a great system of  
storage tanks, tank cars and pipe lines. There  
must be storage capacity for hun-  
dreds of thousands of barrels of oil, for it  
is obvious to every one that there must be  
that amount above ground before the real  
marketing of the product can begin. The  
tank cars and the pipe lines will then take  
it to the different points of distribution,

at each of which points there must be  
other large storage tanks, and from here  
the oil must be delivered to the consumer  
by one of the methods already mentioned  
by tank wagon to the smaller con-  
sumer. Take now the consumer, and what  
he must do to burn oil instead of coal.  
His furnace must be changed, the fire  
gate removed and the fire wall and oil  
burners substituted. Then tankage for  
several days' supply of fuel must be pro-  
vided. This alone in the case of large con-  
sumers (and it is to them they must look  
for a market) would be a large item.  
And suppose, for instance, a mill burns 100  
tons of coal per day, on a basis of four  
barrels of oil to one ton of coal each  
will burn 400 barrels of oil each 24  
hours, and this amount must be delivered  
to the supply tanks every day.

The best arranged system of transpor-  
tation savings fails, and the mill would  
not be safe from shut down without at the  
least calculation three days' supply on  
hand. This would mean tankage for 1200  
barrels at the mill. It will be seen from  
the above that after the supply of oil is an  
assured fact each step in the line of trans-  
portation must be taken up separately and  
worked out; a great system is indispens-  
able; Standard Oil company a necessity.

Four barrels of Beaumont oil laid down  
at the point of consumption is equal to  
one ton of good steam coal and is prefer-  
able as a fuel for several reasons; it costs  
less to handle, there are no ashes to be  
removed, and it is easier to regulate flow,  
thereby enabling the furnace to carry  
heavy steam pressure, an important factor  
to the power user. Value for value, oil  
ought to be cheaper to transport than coal,  
since 1000 pounds of oil is equal in fuel  
value to 2200 pounds of coal. It is stated  
by experts that oil can be sold delivered at  
Atlantic ports from Port Arthur for 50  
cents per barrel, and when it is demon-  
strated that the supply of oil is equal to  
the demand, there is no question about  
there being a market for it as a fuel.

Roger Q. Mills of Texas is a free trade  
speech in congress during Cleveland's first  
term when the Mills revenue bill was intro-  
duced into the house and that in the wisdom of  
the Creator Europe has selected to do the  
manufacturing for the world and the  
United States to produce the handicrafts  
for the world. Wonder what Roger Q.  
Mills' ideals are in Texas. Texas now is also a  
manufacturing state and an oil producing state. Certainly the Texas  
farmer is better off with the consumer of  
farm products at his door than he would  
be skirmishing in the world's market for  
buyers for his farm products.

**CHANCERY.**

Mary E. VanCamp et al. vs. Ed. P.  
Drohoj et al.; partition. T. C. Drew with-  
draws attorney and enters his appear-  
ance as administrator of Catherine Drohoj,  
Proof of publication. Rule on defendant  
to answer by second Monday.

The Land and Homestead Association  
vs. Myra Molenhofer et al.; foreclosure,  
Proof of publication, etc. Rule on defendant  
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William G. McComb vs. Nona E.  
McComb; divorce. Proof of publication.  
J. G. Reilier, county superintendent,  
vs. Robert Hunter et al.; foreclosure,  
Proof of publication.

James H. Gregor vs. Lizzie A. Gregor;  
divorce. Proof of publication.

Primitiva Brown vs. Arthur E. Brown;  
divorce. Proof of publication, etc. Rule on  
defendant to answer by second Monday.

Sadie Hartman vs. Robert Hartman;  
divorce. Proof of publication.

Allie Lang vs. Elmer Lang; divorce.  
Ava E. Honeckor vs. Mary A. Hardy  
et al.; bill for partition. Written appear-  
ance of Thumann and Ida Fanning. Rule on  
defendants to answer by second Monday.  
C. C. Walters appointed guardian ad  
litem for minors.

James M. DeWitt, administrator, up-  
on petition, vs. Andrew Miller, appellee. Rule  
on Defendant Miller to refund transcript  
and docket by second Monday.

**CHANCE TO ENLIST.**

Corporal Bensing Comes to the City After  
Soldiers.

Corporal John G. Bensing, of the gen-  
eral contracting service of the United States  
Army working under Captain Charles of  
the Fourth Infantry, with headquarters at  
Springfield, arrived in Decatur Tuesday  
and is located at the Brunswick hotel. He  
is here to get in recruits for the regular  
army. Men are wanted for the infantry,  
artillery and cavalry. Good opportunities  
are presented for men who have had pre-  
vious service and those who have belonged  
to the volunteers in the Spanish-American  
war. There is a good chance of advancement  
for those to the non-commissioned officers' grade. The recruiting to be done  
here for the 20th Infantry, stationed at  
Fort Sheridan near Chicago, and for the  
Twelfth cavalry stationed at Ft. Sam  
Houston, Tex., and also for the engi-  
neering corps stationed at Willett's  
Point, N. Y. Men are likewise wanted  
for the signal corps and the hospital corps.  
This will afford an opportunity for tele-  
graphers and men who have had some pre-  
liminary training in drags or hospital  
work. The contestants have come to have  
some respect for each other. There is no one in  
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**COURT.**

Ed. Smock vs. before Judge Shonk-  
weller charged with selling lottery tickets  
and entered a plea of guilty on which he  
was fined \$20 and costs. Several months  
ago Smock had a cow which he wanted to  
sell and disposed of the beast by sale.  
A young fellow named Carpenter was com-  
missioned to sell some of the tickets and did so.  
One of the tickets which had not been  
sold drew the cow and of course  
Smock kept the bull. When Carpenter and  
Smock came to a settlement Carpenter  
kept some of the money, saying that  
much was due him as commission. At any  
rate Smock, according to Carpenter's  
figure, had received more than half the  
price of the cow in cash and still had the  
cow. Carpenter thought that under the  
circumstances Smock should be indicted  
but he was not. He had Carpenter ar-  
rested. To get over Carpenter made com-  
plaint in the county court that Smock had  
been selling lottery tickets and the fine  
resulted.

**A PAUPER.**

Lou French, who has been in jail for  
several months to default of a tax asso-  
ciated on his conviction for adultery was  
discharged yesterday under the paper act.

**WINS ONE, LOSES ONE.**

Charles Marvin broke even in the county  
court but lost money on that. He was  
charged with carrying concealed weapons  
and with malicious mischief. On the first  
charge a jury found him guilty and the  
court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs  
which he paid. On the second charge the  
jury acquitted him.

**SNYDER'S CASE.**

Snyder, the fellow who passed worthless  
checks on several grocery men last  
winter, will have a hearing today. He has  
entered a plea of not guilty.

**Taylorville's Athletes.**

The Taylorville High School Athletes  
will compete in the state meet at Cham-  
paign. At Taylorville Saturday the con-  
stituents for places on the team made these  
records:

50-Yard Dash—Herdman, Time, .06.

100-Yard Dash—Herdman, Time, .10.

Hammer Throw—Holland, Distance,  
120 feet, 10 inches.

Shot Put—Holland, Distance, 40 feet 1  
inch.

220-Yard Run—Herdman, Time, 28.06.

Discus Throw—Vaughn, Distance, 93  
feet, 10 inches.

220-Yard Hurdles—Elliott, Time, :20

1-4.

Polo Vault—Hoover, Height, 10 feet.

Standing Broad Jump—Parish, Dis-  
tance, 10 feet, 8 inches.

Running High Jump—Hoover, Height  
5 feet 4 inches.

One Mile Run—Elliot, Time, 5:16.

**Mother Gray's Sweet Powder.**

For children. Mother Gray, for new  
born babies, the best cream for infants.

It is now prepared and placed in the drug  
store, called Mother Gray's Sweet Powder.

Children are not too fond of medicine  
but like cake and candy. It is a certain  
cure for feverishness, constipation, bear-  
ache, toothache and stomach disorders.

It is a great tonic. At all drug stores, Dr. Sam  
and Mrs. A. G. Clark, Address Alice & Clima-  
tine, Box 2, N. Y.

THIS TERM DRAGS

Judge Cochran Adjourned May  
Term of Circuit Court Until  
Monday Next.

BUSINESS IN COUNTY COURT

Smock Fined For Selling Lottery Tickets  
—Two Trials By Jury—Snyder's  
Case Will Be Heard Today.

TODAY after a short session Judge  
Cochran adjourned circuit court until  
Monday of next week. As is usual the  
law term seems likely to drag. Thus far  
there has been only a few formal motions.  
The attorneys at the rule are not inclined to  
hurry. The only incident is of any note  
is the suit in divorce case, where the  
decree is likely to be taken by default  
and where service on the defendant was  
had by publication.

The bugy passed over Mrs. J. W. Birks  
face, cutting a deep gash in the cheek  
and otherwise painfully bruising her.  
She was rendered unconscious by the  
injury. Her companion was also thrown  
out of the bugy, but held on to the horses  
and after being dragged a considerable  
distance succeeded in bringing the horse  
to a standstill without serious injury to  
herself.

Mr. C. J. Birks was a witness of the  
accident and drove to the assistance of the  
woman and took them into his buggy.  
Mrs. J. W. Birks was unconscious for over  
an hour. She was taken to the office of a  
physician, where her injuries were dressed.  
The wound on the head was the worst she  
had ever seen.

The buggy was driven to the office of a  
physician, where the woman was treated  
and the horse was brought to a standstill.  
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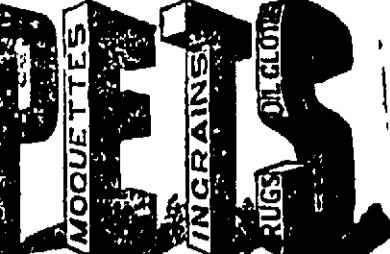
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## Heart Pains

are Nature's warning notes of approaching danger from a diseased heart. If you would avoid debilitating diseases, or even sudden death from this hidden trouble pay heed to the early warnings. Strengthen the heart's muscles, quiet its nervous irritation and regulate its action with that greatest of all heart remedies, Dr. Miles' Heart Cure.

"Pain through my heart, left side and arm would be followed by smothering, heartburn and fainting." Dr. Miles' Heart Cure has entirely relieved me of those troubles."

JOHN VANDENBURGH,  
27 Keweenaw St., Milwaukee, Wis.

S. & MARTIN CO.,  
Drugs and North Sts.

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controls the heart action, accelerates the circulation and builds up the entire system. Sold by druggists on a guarantee.

Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

ANOTHER SMALL POX CASE.

Victim is a Tramp—Overseer Declines to Accept Responsibility.

There is a new case of small pox in Decatur. It has been here for several days and was not discovered until Thursday. The man has been in the city about ten days and says that the eruption appeared on Friday last but that he had not been exposed to the necessity of keeping in quarantine. He has been roaming on East Main street, staying at the Hotel Armstrong last visited Decatur on April 9 and at that time was apparently in good health. He had been troubled with gall stones and on Monday went to the hospital to submit to an operation from the effects of which he did not fully recover. Mr. Armstrong was a man forty-five years of age and unmarried. He was well known in this city where he made his headquarters for many years while engaged in traveling representative of Phillips, Dodge & Co. Afterward he went to Kansas City where he engaged in business for a time but was more recently traveling for a St. Louis shoe house. He was popular with all of his acquaintances here.

On East Main street Thursday the victim was talking to some men about the eruption on his face. One of the fellows, a tramp, told him he had the smallpox, that Mr. Burke passed and the fellow said, "If you don't believe it ask him, he's a doctor." Mr. Burke at once recognized the disease as the same that he had so much experience with in the last few weeks. He directed the victim to Dr. C. E. Miller who charged \$3 from the cash drawer of Miller's dye house. The accused tailor, who came here from Chicago a few days ago and has since worked for Miller. In his pocket he had a card from a tailor's union issued in the name of J. H. Kline. This card he said was the property of a friend. It was reported last night that the grand jury indicted Kline yesterday afternoon. The accused was sent to the county jail.

The attack with which McLaughlin suffers is said to be a mild one but serious cases are possible from such infection. He has been wandering on the streets for several days being under the impression that he had come home to prison. A number of doctors took a look at him yesterday. Not one of them wanted the case and advised him to go to some other physician.

McLaughlin, the up-to-date Little Live Muffin, has a case of small pox.

During the afternoon Mayor Shilling called on Overseer McClellan and told him that the city authorities considered that it was time that the county should

have a small pox case.

One of the best effects of thorough intestinal training is a knowledge of our own capacities.

If people only knew what we know about Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, it would be used in nearly every household, as there are few people who do not suffer from a feeling of nausea after eating, belching, flatulence, or stomach or water-rash, caused by indigestion or dyspepsia. A preparation such as Kodol Dyspepsia Cure, which, with no aid from the stomach, will digest your food, certainly can't help but do you good. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, Decatur Drug Co.

It is difficult to keep down the mucous, but it is extremely difficult to prove the reduction.

Rheumatism is conceded to have its origin in a portioned condition of the blood, and to be most successfully treated by HERBING which acts upon the liver, kidneys and other blood purifying organs, thereby directing the system of the offending agents. Price \$2. John E. King and Frank W. Washington.

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Mr. W. J. Foster of North Brook, N. Y., says he suffered with piles for fifteen years. He tried many remedies with no results until he used Dr. W. C. Miles' Hazel Salve and that quickly cured him. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, Decatur Drug Co.

If wishes were horses the beggars could sell them to England and ride in automobiles.

CASTORIA.

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Signature of Dr. H. H. Fletcher

Burysol: Internally cures rather than giving tonics rather than giving tonics.

You are much more liable to disease when your liver and bowels do not act properly. Dr. W. C. Miles' Early Risers remove the cause of the disease. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, Decatur Drug Co.

If you wish to consult a fortune teller, Gwendolyn, either Bradstreet's or Dunn's is very good.

LIVERIA the up-to-date Little Live Muffin to taste contains 15 pills, 100 boxes contain 10 pills, 250 boxes contain 100 pills, sold by John E. King and A. J. Blane, Decatur, Illinois.

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St. William Van Horne, the New York magnate, predicts that sugar, tobacco and cattle will make Cuba the richest country of the world in the world.

I have been suffering from Dyspepsia for the past twenty years and have been unable after trying all preparations and physicians to get any relief. After taking one bottle of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure I found relief and am now in better health than I have been for twenty years. I can not praise Kodol Dyspepsia Cure too highly.

Thus writes Mrs. C. W. Roberts, North Brook, Ark. John E. King, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, Decatur Drug Co.

## Royal Baking Powder

Absolutely Pure  
Hot-breads, hot biscuits, cakes, muffins, puddings and crusts made with Royal Baking Powder are wholesome, delicious, quickly made, always light, never sour, and most economical.

Royal Baking Powder is specially refined, and equally valuable for the preparation of the finest, most delicate cookery, and substantial, everyday food. In the easy, expeditious and economical preparation of wholesome and appetizing food it is indispensable.

The "Royal Baker and Pastry Cook"—containing over 800 most practical and valuable cooking receipts—sends to every patron. Send postal card with your full address.

## STRAWBERRIES ARE COMING

First Big Shipment Reaches Decatur Still Short of Enough.

The strawberry business is getting good and last night a big consignment of fine berries was received in the city. The first lot of those came on Wabash train No. 50 from St. Louis and were met at the depot by the commissioners. None of them got all they had bargained for although a total of about 225 cases were received. These berries will come from Arkansas and are some of the finest received this season.

Another consignment came in over the Illinois Central. Train No. 129 which arrives at 10:30 was an hour late on account of the fact that the train was late out of Chicago. The delay there was caused by the rush and the time could not be made up on this end of the line. The season is approaching when this train will have a rush in its express business that is unequalled at any other season of the year. It carries countless cases of berries and fruit from the southern fruit and berry farms of the south and is frequently late on account of the delays occasioned in handling the fruit at the various stations along the road.

Strawberries were scarce in this city yesterday but today they will no doubt be plentiful. On Tuesday night a large consignment of berries was received in the city and the day following one grocer was selling berries at ten cents per box but his supply was bought out some at wholesale and some at retail so fast that it did not last long and none of the other stores offered their berries at less than two for 25 cents. It is sold by the commission men that there will hardly be any ten cent berries this week, but that by next week when the berries from Tennessee begin to come in considerable quantities that the price will no doubt drop to ten cents.

### Deeds Recorded.

George W. Boland to Christine Schwab lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in block 10 to Boddy; \$1,000.

W. Frank Godwin to Henry J. Knobles lot 11 block 5, in Enterprise addition to Decatur; \$1,500.

Allie Ritschtraw to Wm. Matthes part of the southwest quarter of section 6, township 14, range 2 east, lying east of the Illinois Central railway, \$10,160.

Wanted at Spangler & Lehman's, corner of Wood and Main streets, Decatur, Ill., a visit from all who are thinking of purchasing a fine or medium grade buggy, surrey, phaeton or road wagon. New stock of excellent goods just received at low prices. Old goods at cost.

### Ladies' Night at Club.

The Decatur Club gave a reception Thursday night in their rooms for the members and their ladies. In the earlier part of the evening Mrs. Janette Tyler gave a number of readings and the Masonic mandolin orchestra gave several selections. Afterward there were cards, billiards and dancing. Light refreshments were served. About 200 were present.

### Run a Creamery.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the United Hebrews church has arranged to take charge of the Crescent creamery in the Chubbs block on May 30 and will run it on the road next week to work the territory of southern Illinois in the interest of that publication.

### Dobogos Come Home.

Mrs. Rose Ores, Miss Mario Joannigdone, delegates from the London Alli society of the Sons of Veterans from this city returned last night from Erie, where they attended the state convention of the order. They were accompanied by Miss Adele Linglo, Mrs. Mary McNamee, Anna Shultz and wife and the Misses Nellie, Linda and Jessie Lowe. It was decided to hold the next convention of the order at Rock Island.

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## BUYS OIL LANDS HARRY HATHAWAY

C. C. Randolph Gets Next to the Property of Governor Hogg.

### EXPECT TO DO PROSPECTING

Agents of Capitalists On the Grounds Looking for Choice Prop-  
erty.

C. C. Randolph returned yesterday from a two weeks' visit to Beaumont, Tex., where he has been in the oil fields and the famous oil gushers which are now the talk of the whole world. Mr. Randolph found some things in the oil fields of the south that were surprising and the manner in which the oil lands are jumping in value is a resolution to even a real estate humor.

Mr. Randolph made a small investment in the oil lands and a personal regret that he is not able to buy up more of the lands.

With several other gentlemen purchased a two acre tract of land adjoining the one thousand acres owned by the Mil-Honore Governor Hogg of Texas. Mr. Randolph paid at the rate of \$750 per acre for the thousands he bought and he is confident that there is oil under the lands. Steps will at once be taken toward boring a well on the place and should oil be struck the fortunes of the half a dozen men interested in the enterprise is secured.

Beaumont, Tex., has become famous

the world over on account of oil and

agents of capitalists are there repre-

senting numerous wells. They are trying

to buy up the best oil lands and are

accomplishing it to a wonderful degree.

There are now six oil wells in the "gusher" belt in the vicinity of Beaumont.

They are located on Spindletop Hill, about four miles from the city.

The oil formation in that vicinity is peculiar

and is another peculiar feature that all the

oil wells are located on this Spindletop

Hill which runs in sort of a semicircle

form a ridge of high hills rising toward the Gulf of Mexico. These "gushers" are

making millions for their owners and

wealth they will produce in time if they

do not exhaust the supply of oil in some

thing beyond conjecture. They run a continuous stream of the rich black fluid

which is piped around and carried

to the markets.

The oil well at Beaumont

from fifty to twenty feet per barrel

and thousands of barrels are drained

from the wells each day.

The oil wells on Spindletop could be

enclosed in a radius equal to that of an

eighth mile but they make the land

some of the most valuable in the world.

It is said that the six wells are worth

and could be sold today for \$1,250,000

for each well. The Standard Oil Company

has secured immense holdings in that

vicinity and own a strip of land extending

south from Beaumont to the Gulf and

out to explore 20,000 acres of what is

thought to be the best oil lands. Those

lands can not be bought for very sum, al-

though fabulous prices have been offered.

The one man most directly responsible

for the discovery of oil near Beaumont is

W. A. Lucas. For the past few years he

has been boring in that vicinity for oil.

He failed a number of times but persisted

in his attempts before persisting that there

was oil there if it could only be reached.

He spent his entire and thin interest

in the enterprise until all had

nearly lost confidence. In the fall that

there was oil in that vicinity. It was not

till last January that the first well gave

up oil. It was a gusher and since that

time millions of money have been poured

into that vicinity to sink oil wells and

more is being turned that way every day.

Not a day passes but a new well is started.

These wells are from 600 to 1000 feet deep

and no pump is necessary to raise the

oil to the surface as the force from below

is sufficient to elevate the oil to the sur-

face and all that is to provide is pipes to

convey to the ships.

The land purchased by Mr. Randolph is

but a short distance from the gushers and

is adjoining the 1000 acres of land owned

by Governor Hogg which he has refused

to sell at any price. Running through

the line are the roads owned by Randolph

and as the surface indications are

probably the same as those in the imme-

diate vicinity of the gushers the owners

of the land feel confident that they will

find oil. They expect to begin the work of

boring within a few days. At Corsicana,

Texas, there are said to be 1000 two inch

oil wells which are running streams of oil

day and night. These wells are supplied

with pumps as the oil does not gush from

them. It is common sight to see oil wells

in front of the fine residences and also in

the back yards. Oil is the all absorbing

topic and is making millions out of many men who a few months ago were

counted poor men.

### Deafness Cannot Be Cured

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is only one way to cure deafness, and that is

by constitutional remedies. Deafness

cannot be an inflamed condition of the

inner lining of the Eustachian tube.

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a rumbling sound or imperceptible hearing, and

when it is entirely closed deafness is the

result, and unless the inflammation can be

taken out and this tube restored to its

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flamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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of Gus Kitchener, who has lost an eye,

and always keeps on the blind side of the

British commander.

### RESULT OF THE ELECTION.

Big Bet Results in Law Suit at East St. Louis.

Thomas E. Brown, who is unknown in

East St. Louis, yesterday commenced a

suit against Frank B. Bowman, the richest

man in East St. Louis, and the son of the

John B. Bowman for the sum of \$18,000.

John O. Marshall, of St. Louis, is the

attorney for the plaintiff, and the suit

will come up at the August term of the

city court, says the Globe Democrat.

The institution of the suit has created

great consternation among the politicians and

business men of East St. Louis.

The suit grows out of an election hot

which was made last fall just before the

election. During the heat of the campaign

the friends of W. A. Rosenberg, of East

St. Louis, thought that he would be

elected in a district which was democratic

and so informed their friends. The matter

came to the ears of a number of democ-

ratic leaders and the friends in East St.

Louis bantered each other for a big bet on

the election. A wager was arranged, Mr.

Bowman, being one of the richest men in

southern Illinois, was led to contribute.

The manner of this bet was put up the

office of Judge Kramer, in East St. Louis,

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## BIG STRIKE IS ON

Fifty Thousand Machinists Striking For a Nine Hour Day  
With Ten Hours Pay.

## CHIEF OFFICERS HOPEFUL

Believe the Employers Will Yield Within Two or Three Days.

Washington, May 20—Approximately

10,000 machinists throughout the country

struck for a nine hour day; an increase

of wages equal to the present

hour per day scale and other demands.

This is the rough estimate of President

O'Connell, of the National Association

Machinists, based on telegraphic ad-

vertisements received from machinists

in the various cities. The strike has

not yet extended to the railroads, save in one or two instances.

Scranton, where the men in part of

skilled trades are out. No machinists

gaged in government work are affected.

This is due to the fact that on such

the eight hour day and costs already

paid. The railroad machinists, as a

rule, are not involved in a strike, though

men on several roads are out.

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